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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT OF DEFENSE REPRESENTATIVE IN TEHRAN

REF.: TEHRAN 8361

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM EAGLEBURGER

1. APPRECIATE YOUR PROMPT CLEARANCE WITH THE SHAH, BOTH ON DEFREPIRAN ASSIGNMENT AND ON HOUSING FOR HIM. VON MARBOD HAS BEEN INFORMED AND PLANS TO DEPART WASHINGTON ON SEPTEMBER 5 FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK'S CONSULTATION WITH MILITARY COMMANDS IN EUROPE. HE WILL NOTIFY YOU OF PRECISE ETA (ROUGHLY SEPTEMBER 14) FROM EUROPE. VON MARBOD AGREES IT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR HIM TO MAKE SEPARATE VISIT TO IRAN DURING COMING WEEK FOR CONSULTATION WITH YOU.

2. DEFREPIRAN AND PERSONNEL ON HIS IMMEDIATE STAFF SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS MEMBERS OF EMBASSY STAFF RATHER THAN AS PERSONNEL ASSIGNED UNDER OUR MAAG AGREEMENT. (HIS STATUS IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF DEFENSE ATTACHE, FOR EXAMPLE.) AS YOU

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KNOW, DEFREPIRAN'S RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE SUPERVISION OF

A VARIETY OF DEFENSE ACTIVITIES IN IRAN INCLUDING, BUT NOT
LIMITED TO, THE MAAG. INGERSOLL

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